

REGULAR MEETING.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
January 17, 1898. }

The Common Council of the City of Indianapolis met in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, January 17, 1898, at 8 o'clock, in regular meeting.

Present, Hon. John H. Mahoney, President of the Common Council, in the chair, and 18 members, viz.: Messrs. Allen, Bernauer, Bowser, Clark, Colter, Costello, Crall, Harston, Higgins, Knight, Little, Madden, Merrick, Moffett, McGrew, Rauch, Smith and Von Spreckelsen.

Absent, 2—viz.: Messrs. Scanlon and Shaffer.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal, whereupon Councilman Bernauer moved that the further reading of the Journal be dispensed with.

Which motion prevailed.

COMMUNICATIONS, ETC., FROM MAYOR.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
January 4, 1898. }

Hon. John H. Mahoney, President of the Common Council:

Dear Sir—I have this day approved the following resolution and ordinance:

Resolution No. 30, 1897, the same having relation to the transfer of the Council Chamber to the new Police Station building.

G. O. No. 65, 1897, the same being "An ordinance regulating the keeping or standing of garbage wagons in the City of Indianapolis."

Respectfully,

T. TAGGART,
Mayor.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
January 6, 1898. }

Hon. John H. Mahoney, President of the Common Council:

Dear Sir—I have this 6th day of January, 1898, signed General Ordinance No. 63, 1897, the same being an ordinance prohibiting persons under fifteen years of age on the streets, etc., of the city during certain hours and other matters pertaining thereto. This ordinance being commonly known as the "Curfew Law."

Respectfully,

T. TAGGART,
Mayor.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, }
January 12, 1898. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—You will find herewith returned to you General Ordinance No. 62, 1897, without my signature. While I favor a careful regulation of sanitary plumbing by ordinance, and all sanitary legislation needed for protecting the public health, I feel that care should be exercised in legislation which interferes with the owner's control of private property, and as far as possible the imposition of any hardship by such legislation should be avoided. The provisions of Section 27 of the ordinance apply to a large majority of the buildings in the city, probably near three-fourths of all, and its enforcement would make a burdensome expense to the owner, which in many cases would fall on those who have recently borne the expense of sewer construction and street improvements. In most cases it would require not merely sewer connections, but alteration in the construction of buildings and the introduction either of city water or force-pumps and water-tanks for flushing purposes. My information is that in cities where such extensive changes have been required several years have been allowed for completing them, but this ordinance requires immediate action, and on failure to comply with its requirements on ten days' notice the property owner is subject to \$100 fine. Coming at a time of industrial depression, when many persons lack employment, and when many who would like to have the advantages of first-class sanitary improvements feel unable to pay for them, it seems to me that this ordinance would impose hardships not now justified.

I hope that your body, in connection with the Board of Health, may see its way clear to the preparation and passage of a plumbing ordinance which will not impose unreasonable hardships on the community—one applying to buildings hereafter constructed and to work voluntarily undertaken, or to buildings where numbers of persons are employed or reside. Such a measure, carefully prepared, I would be pleased to sign.

Respectfully,

T. TAGGART,
Mayor.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

His Honor, the Mayor, presented the following communication :

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
January 12, 1898. }

Hon. John H. Mahoney, President of the Common Council:

Dear Sir—I have this day signed Appropriation Ordinance No. 22, 1897, the same being "An ordinance appropriating the sum of five hundred dollars (\$500) for the use of the Department of Public Health and Charities during the year of 1898 and fixing a time when the same shall take effect."

Respectfully,

THOS. TAGGART,
Mayor.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS.

Communication from City Comptroller:

CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
January 15, 1898. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen—I herewith submit my third annual report and the seventh annual report since the adoption of the City Charter, showing the financial condition of the City for the fiscal year 1897.

The permanent bonded debt of the City was on January 1, 1897, \$1,424,500.00. On December 31, 1897, \$10,000.00 of this was paid. Two issues of bonds were made during the year, \$350,000.00 Park Improvement Bonds, \$150,000.00 Public Safety Bonds, thus making the bonded debt of the City proper \$1,914,500.00. By reason of the annexation of the City of West Indianapolis and the Towns of Brightwood, Mount Jackson and Haughville, \$116,000.00 of their debts was assumed and must be paid, thus making the total debt January 1, 1898, \$2,030,500.00. The constitutional limit of 2 per cent. at last-named date was \$2,354,933.00, leaving a reserve of possible indebtedness of \$324,433.00

The current expense of a city growing as rapidly as is Indianapolis and with boundaries largely extended must of necessity be annually greatly increased. Although receipts increase also, they do not keep pace with the demands. A careful examination of the tables following will show that receipts and expenditures for 1897 are about equal, and that only by the practice of the most rigid economy in all departments will it be possible to maintain the present low tax levy of 60 cents on the hundred dollars, the lowest of any city of this class in the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. JOHNSON,
City Comptroller.

TABLE No. 1.

Synopsis of Receipts and Expenditures, 1897.

Cash on hand January 1, 1897...		\$64,271 16
Received from taxes	\$671,959 67	
Received from sundry sources...	248,636 75	
Total ordinary receipts.....		\$920,596 42
Received from—		
Park improvement bonds.....	\$350,000 00	
Premium and interest.....	23,830 20	
Public Safety bonds.....	150,000 00	
Premium and interest.....	10,613 17	
Brightwood	8,252 62	
Haughville.....	11,954 13	
Mt. Jackson.....	1,909 61	
West Indianapolis.....	17,380 07	
Total extraordinary receipts.		573,939 80
Total receipts, 1897.....		<u>1,494,536 22</u>
Total to be accounted for....		\$1,558,807 38
Paid current expenses.....	\$907,622 15	
Paid permanent improvements..	142,874 32	
Total ordinary expenditures.		\$1,050,496 47
Paid redemption of bonds.....	\$14,400 00	
Paid misc. (see Table No. 4)....	48,307 51	
Total extraordinary expendit's		<u>62,707 51</u>
Total expenditures.....		<u>1,113,203 98</u>
Available cash on hand Jan. 1, '98.		\$445,603 40

TABLE No. 2.

Current Receipts, 1897.

FEES.		
City Civil Engineer	\$2,068	69
City Comptroller	4,063	75
East Market	3,303	50
Hay Market	666	80
Pay patients, City Hospital	2,279	55
		\$12,382 29
LICENSE.		
Auction	\$455	00
Brewery	20,000	00
Dog	4,675	00
Dray	13	00
Exhibition	880	00
Express	199	75
Hack	433	00
Huckster	4,400	00
Liquor	120,016	00
Pawn broker	1,400	00
Peddler	483	00
Riding gallery	30	00
Shooting gallery	150	00
Vehicle	37,029	45
		190,164 20
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Duplicate license plates	\$20	05
Fines and fees, City Court	4,486	25
Fire force	355	58
Franchises—Central Union Telephone Co	6,000	00
Indianapolis Light and Power Co ..	9,585	83
Guarantee fund	18	00
Market leases	17,793	90
Parks—Sale of old boilers	75	00
Privileges at Garfield	104	00
Police force	504	70
Rebate on typewriter, City Attorney	10	00
Refund by Treasurer on account error, paid for street sprinkling	16	67
Sellers farm rents	135	38
Street and alley openings and vacation	2,960	00
Taxes	671,959	67
Tomlinson Hall rents	3,639	25
Warrants covered back into General Fund	46	67
		718,049 93
Total current receipts		\$920,596 42
EXTRAORDINARY RECEIPTS, 1897.		
Sale park improvement bonds, 1897	\$350,000	00
Premium on above bonds	23,485	00
Accrued interest	345	20
Sale of Indianapolis Public Safety bonds of 1897 ..	150,000	00
Premium and interest on same	10,613	17
Brightwood annexation	8,252	62
Haughville annexation	11,954	13
Mt. Jackson annexation	1,909	61
West Indianapolis annexation	17,380	07
		573,939 80
Total extraordinary receipts		573,939 80
Total receipts, 1897		\$1,494,536 22

TABLE No. 3.

Appropriations, Expenditures and Balances, 1897.

FUND.	Appropriation.	Expenditure.	Balance.
FINANCE DEPARTMENT.			
Assessing city property	\$2,500 00	\$2,500 00	.....
Blank books, stationery and sup .	2,000 00	1,763 70	\$236 30
Election expenses	10,876 23	10,876 23	.....
Improvement bonds of 1896	10,000 00	10,000 00	.....
Interest and exchange, city bonded indebtedness	75,909 73	75,909 73	.....
Liquor license rebates	38 35	38 35	.....
Miscellaneous expense city offices	4,000 00	3,670 62	329 38
Salaries	53,420 00	53,378 04	41 96
Special Police Judge	150 00	150 00	.....
Viaduct fund.....	5,000 00	5,000 00	.....
<i>Town Funds.</i>			
Brightwood fund.....	2,600 00	2,600 00	.....
Haughville fund.....	12,914 81	12,652 50	262 31
Mt. Jackson fund	500 00	495 98	4 02
West Indianapolis fund	2,800 00	2,465 35	334 65
Payment of outstanding bonds...	4,400 00	4,400 00	.....
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.			
Assessment roll, clerks' salaries ..	6,500 00	5,732 60	767 40
Blank books, printing and stat'ry.	2,500 00	2,350 33	149 67
Bridges	24,000 00	24,000 00	.....
Bridge gang pay-roll	8,000 00	7,896 19	103 81
Cisterns	1,000 00	803 09	196 91
City Civil Engineer, accounts....	1,000 00	999 42	58
City Civil Engineer, salaries.....	25,101 48	25,101 48	.....
City garbage disposal and Sellers farm	10,900 00	10,900 00	.....
City Hall accounts	4,300 00	4,241 94	58 06
City Hall janitors	1,500 00	1,500 00	.....
City Hospital—			
Laundry and boiler house, new north wing	338 14	331 56	6 58
Engines and boilers	1,190 47	1,190 47	.....
Miscellaneous uses	1,186 11	1,175 34	10 77
New north wing	519 00	511 74	7 26
Collection and delivery of garbage	20,000 00	16,849 97	3,150 03
Electric light plant, Hospital....	2,000 00	1,903 56	96 44
Electric lights	90,000 00	90,000 00	.....
Erroneous assessments	2,000 00	1,151 68	848 32
Fountains and wells	1,000 00	679 74	320 26
Furniture and fixtures	500 00	437 12	62 88
Gas lights	3,500 00	3,402 78	97 22
Haughville street improvements .	2,500 00	2,500 00	.....
Improvem't r'dw'y Kentucky ave	5,800 00	5,800 00	.....
Incidental expenses	500 00	408 34	91 66
Insurance	500 00	492 33	7 67
Maintenance Brightw'd waterw'ks	1,884 00	1,788 11	95 89

TABLE No. 3—Continued.

FUND.	Appropriation.	Expenditure.	Balance.
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS			
<i>Continued.</i>			
Maintenance and repair of streets, including pay-roll	\$55,000 00	\$54,839 86	\$160 14
New Central and sub-stations, including purchase of real estate	110,000 00	78,097 58	31,902 42
New engine houses	1,445 00	1,445 00	.....
Payment of assessments	3,000 00	3,000 00	.....
Pogue's Run repairs	15,000 00	14,999 58	42
Public buildings and repairs	4,000 00	1,837 00	2,163 00
Purchase and del. of house numbers	3,000 00	2,999 71	29
Repairing permanently imp'd sts.	10,000 00	9,983 63	16 37
Road roller	3,500 00	3,218 75	281 25
Sewers	1,000 00	999 50	50
Sewer gang pay-roll	10,500 00	9,256 59	1,243 41
South Side market	12,000 00	.....	12,000 00
Street openings and vacations	800 00	793 85	6 15
Street repair accounts	8,000 00	7,999 69	31
Sweeping and cleaning imp'd sts.	55,000 00	52,199 85	2,800 15
Telephones	240 00	199 63	40 37
Tomlinson Hall accounts	2,150 00	2,104 11	45 89
Tomlinson Hall janitors	2,500 00	2,495 75	4 25
Vapor lights	4,400 00	4,394 04	5 96
Water	74,300 00	73,800 22	499 78
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.			
<i>Fire Force.</i>			
Fire alarm telegraph department	2,816 00	2,644 43	171 57
Fuel gas and coal	2,000 00	1,633 02	366 98
Furniture	400 00	351 97	48 03
Harness and repairs	480 00	462 43	17 57
Horse feed	4,500 00	4,497 24	2 76
Horse shoeing	1,600 00	1,501 83	98 17
Illuminating gas	750 00	725 90	24 10
Miscellaneous supplies	2,700 00	2,692 16	7 84
New apparatus	2,500 00	2,014 60	485 40
New hose	2,000 00	1,995 39	4 61
Pay-roll	134,580 57	133,860 71	719 86
Printing and stationery	75 00	73 75	1 25
Purchase of new horses	1,200 00	1,197 50	2 50
Repairs to apparatus	1,900 00	1,701 51	198 49
Repairs to buildings	2,550 00	2,427 90	122 10
Repairs to cisterns	250 00	223 55	26 45
Soda and acids	500 00	367 63	132 37
Special medical services	156 00	156 00	.....
Telephone service	485 23	450 23	35 00
<i>Police Force.</i>			
Building repairs Station House	150 00	149 48	52
Cow pounds	125 00	69 00	56 00
Emergency police service	700 00	310 00	390 00
Fuel gas	150 00	84 65	65 35
Gas and electric lights	800 00	647 45	152 55
Horse feed	460 00	428 54	31 46

TABLE No. 3—Continued.

FUND.	Appropriation.	Expenditure.	Balance.
<i>Police Force—Continued.</i>			
Incidental expense	\$1,500 00	\$1,499 24	\$0 76
New horses	500 00	425 00	75 00
Pay-roll	119,622 17	119,596 45	25 72
Prisoners' meals	1,550 00	1,303 28	246 72
Secret service	300 00	212 85	87 15
Stable rent	600 00	524 55	75 45
Telephone service	635 00	622 21	12 79
Wagon repairs	500 00	412 00	88 00
<i>East Market.</i>			
Cleaning buildings and grounds ..	675 00	675 00	.....
Current expense	350 00	348 53	1 47
Gas	2,500 00	2,494 12	5 88
Printing and stationery	50 00	14 25	35 75
Repairs to buildings	250 00	166 56	83 44
Salaries	3,900 00	3,783 75	116 25
<i>Hay Market.</i>			
Incidental expense	80 00	14 00	66 00
Printing and stationery	60 00	22 50	37 50
Rent of grounds	390 00	360 00	30 00
Salary of Weighmaster	1,200 00	1,200 00	.....
<i>Board's Office.</i>			
Equipment new Central and sub- stations and expense bond issue	50,613 17	721 70	49,891 47
Incidental expense	175 00	169 85	5 15
Printing and stationery	175 00	174 40	60
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND CHARITY.			
<i>Board's Office.</i>			
Ambulance and driver	700 00	609 96	90 04
Cutting weeds	200 00	192 52	7 48
Horse board	360 00	360 00	.....
Incidentals	275 00	230 63	44 37
Laboratory	1,000 00	584 58	415 42
Office salaries	4,927 50	4,835 25	92 25
Prevention of contagious diseases.	500 00	279 68	220 32
Printing and stationery	250 00	241 08	8 92
Public charity	600 00	600 00	.....
<i>City Hospital.</i>			
Ambulance, horses and harness ..	450 00	449 90	10
Artificial gas	600 00	471 09	128 91
Cold storage room	225 00	225 00	.....
Drugs	1,500 00	1,499 17	83
Drug room	100 00	100 00	.....
Dry goods	1,000 00	1,000 00	.....
Furniture	200 00	199 93	07

TABLE No. 3—Continued.

FUND.	Appropriation.	Expenditure.	Balance.
<i>City Hospital—Continued.</i>			
Gas supplies	\$50 00	\$49 25	\$0 75
Hardware	100 00	100 00	.....
Horse shoeing	40 00	40 00	.....
Kitchen outfit	583 00	583 00	.....
Knives, forks and dishes	150 00	149 77	23
Laboratory	350 00	349 96	04
Miscellaneous expense	650 00	649 89	11
Natural gas	1,800 00	1,799 60	40
Nursing	3,800 00	3,799 92	08
Paints and painting	200 00	199 95	05
Plumbing	150 00	149 63	37
Printing and stationery	150 00	149 75	25
Provisions	8,670 00	8,669 42	58
Queensware	150 00	149 65	35
Repairs	300 00	299 99	01
Salaries	6,669 25	6,650 57	18 68
Stable supplies	300 00	298 80	1 20
Surgical instruments and supplies	700 00	699 65	35
Telephone service	54 40	54 40	.....
Water	400 00	400 00	.....
<i>City Dispensary.</i>			
Drugs	1,200 00	1,197 18	2 82
Dry goods	35 00	34 32	68
Groceries	30 00	26 87	3 13
Illuminating gas	80 00	67 41	12 59
Incidentals	70 00	70 00	.....
Laundering	60 00	52 00	8 00
Natural gas	35 00	35 00	.....
Printing and stationery	70 00	68 55	1 45
Salaries	2,940 00	2,939 79	21
Surgical instruments and supplies	175 00	174 80	20
Telephone service	51 00	51 00	.....
Transportation	100 00	99 75	25
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.			
Brookside and Elmwood	500 00	495 13	4 87
Orange avenue improvement	515 61	515 61	.....
Garfield Park—			
Bridge over Bean Creek	3,000 00	3,000 00	.....
Buildings	1,500 00	1,499 69	31
Electric lighting	1,530 00	1,390 39	139 61
Extension of water pipes	1,500 00	1,498 49	1 51
Filling about dam	800 00	799 57	63
Maintenance	4,000 00	3,999 82	18
Masonry work	3,571 00	3,569 50	1 50
Outlet pipe, dam	592 00	592 00	.....
New work, materials, etc	1,500 00	1,496 48	3 52
Improvement of Raymond st	1,954 82	1,954 82	.....

TABLE No. 3—Continued.

FUND.	Appropriation.	Expenditure.	Balance.
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.			
<i>Continued.</i>			
Greenlawn Cemetery—			
Cleaning up and improvements	\$1,000 00	\$999 12	\$0 88
Light	500 00	122 62	377 38
Maintenance	1,000 00	999 90	10
Military Park	3,000 00	2,999 54	46
Oriole, Hendricks, Fletcher and Christian Places	2,000 00	1,844 47	155 53
St. Clair Square	1,800 00	1,799 77	23
University Square	2,500 00	2,403 95	96 05
Engineering	2,500 00	2,493 82	6 18
Floriculture—			
Feed, fuel and green house sup.	500 00	499 18	82
Fireman and teamster	720 00	655 50	64 50
Florists	910 00	810 06	99 94
Gardener	900 00	850 50	49 50
Labor and expense, bond issue...	68,867 20	4,837 16	64,030 04
New park purchase, real estate...	300,000 00	1,112 71	298,887 29
Office	4,200 00	4,199 90	10
DEPARTMENT OF LAW.			
Change of venue cases	500 00	.....	500 00
Judgments, compromises and costs	12,000 00	4,340 47	7,659 53
Office rent and expenses	240 00	192 39	47 61
Special assistant counsel and ex- pense, St. Railroad litigation...	4,894 70	908 32	3,986 38
Transcripts, printing of briefs and stationery	300 00	264 90	35 10
Totals	\$1,602,911 94	\$1,113,203 98	\$489,707 96

RECAPITULATION.

Amount warrants issued prior to March 9, 1891, outstanding January 1, 1897	\$138 34
Amount issued since said date, outstanding January 1, 1897....	76,311 52
Amount issued January 1, to December 31, 1897, inclusive.....	1,113,203 98
Total	\$1,189,653 84
Amount of warrants redeemed	1,103,495 75
Amount of warrants outstanding December 31, 1897	\$86,158 09
Cash on hand December 31, 1897	\$531,761 49
Warrants outstanding	86,158 09
Cash available January 1, 1898	\$445,603 40

TABLE No. 4.

Statement of Expenditures, 1897.

	Current Expenses, Including Salaries.	Extraordinary Disbursements.	Expenditures in Permanent Improvements.	Totals.
FINANCE DEPARTMENT.				
Redemption of bonds		\$14,400 00		
Interest and exchange	\$71,231 40	4,678 33		
Indeb'tness of annexed City & Town		18,213 83		
Salary and expense*	39,480 71			
Expense of election	10,876 23			
Virginia avenue viaduct		5,000 00		\$163,880 50
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS...	402,647 85	17,999 29	\$124,084 99	544,732 13
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.				
Office	5,144 25			
Fire Force	158,252 75		725 00	
East Market	7,482 21			
Hay Market	1,596 50			
Police Force	125,960 70		324 00	
Equip't of new Central and Sub-Sta.			721 70	300,207 11
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND CHARITIES.				
Health Board	11,033 70			
City Hospital	29,188 29			
Dispensary	4,816 67			45,038 66
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS.				
Current expense	28,004 81			
Advertising Fall Creek System		1,112 71		
Extra clerks		854 48		
Expense bond issue		448 87		
Bridges, dam, street improvement			17,018 63	47,439 50
DEPARTMENT OF LAW	11,906 08			11,906 08
Totals	\$907,622 15	\$62,707 51	\$142,874 32	\$1,113,203 98

*Including Mayor, Comptroller, Treasurer, Auditor, Police Court, City Council and Assessing.

TABLE No. 5.

Statement of Expenditures, 1896.

ITEMS.	Current Expenses, Including Salaries.	Extraordinary Disbursements.	Expenditures in Permanent Improvements.	Totals.
FINANCE DEPARTMENT.*				
Redemption of bonds.....		\$545,000 00		
Interest and exchange.....	\$57,764 88			
Salaries and office expense.....	34,690 16			\$637,455 04
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS..	341,597 02		\$9,771 41	351,368 43
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.				
Office.....	5,075 61			5,075 61
Fire Force.....	135,193 30		52,330 17	187,523 47
East Market.....	7,381 28			7,381 28
Hay Market.....	1,987 90			1,987 90
Police Department.....	116,436 76		387 50	116,824 26
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH.				
Health Board.....	10,272 83			10,272 83
City Hospital.....	25,722 23		34,684 27	60,406 50
City Dispensary.....	4,591 16			4,591 16
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC PARKS...	13,110 74		21,888 81	34,999 55
DEPARTMENT OF LAW.....	9,111 73			9,111 73
Totals.....	\$762,935 60	\$545,000 00	\$119,062 16	\$1,426,997 76

*Including expenses of Mayor's office, City Comptroller's office, City Treasurer, Council, Auditor, and Police Court.

TABLE No. 6.

Statement of Taxable Property and Taxes Collected.

YEAR.	Assessed Valuation.	Taxes Collected.
1891.....	\$93,595,930	\$541,598 85
1892.....	98,230,242	566,257 61
1893.....	103,317,880	608,796 48
1894.....	104,215,385	648,430 17
1895.....	105,637,860	608,672 12
1896.....	108,285,915	671,959 67
1897.....	117,746,670	Payable in 1898

Rate, 60 cents on \$100 each year.
Limit of indebtedness, 2 per cent., \$2,354,933.

TABLE No. 7.

Tabulated Statement of Bonded Debt, January 1, 1898.

TITLE OF BOND.	Date of Issue.	Maturity.	Par Value of Bond.	No. Issued.	Aggregate Amount.	Rate of Interest.	Interest Payable.
Funding Bonds	Jan. 1, 1889	Jan. 1, 1909	\$1,000	110	\$110,000	4	July 1, Jan. 1.
Funding Bonds	Jan. 1, 1890	Jan. 1, 1910	500	90	45,000	4	July 1, Jan. 1.
Indianapolis Southern Park Purchase, Refunding, 1894	Jan. 26, 1894	Jan. 26, 1924	500	219	109,500	4	July 1, Jan. 1.
Indianapolis Refunding Bond of 1894, thirty years	Mar. 1, 1894	Mar. 1, 1924	1,000	600	600,000	4	July 1, Jan. 1.
Indianapolis Refunding Bond of 1894, Series C, thirty years	Jun. 30, 1894	Jun. 30, 1924	1,000	300	300,000	4	June 30, Dec. 30.
Refunding Bonds, Series D, 1875, twenty years	July 1, 1895	July 1, 1915	1,000	200	200,000	4	July 1, Jan. 1.
Improvement Bonds, 1896	Jan. 1, 1896	½ annually, Jan. 1 ..	1,000	50	50,000	4	July 1, Jan. 1.
Park Improvement Bonds, 1897	April 1, 1897	Jan. 1, 1927	1,000	350	350,000	4	July 1, Jan. 1.
Public Safety Bonds, 1897	Jun. 1, 1897	Jan. 1, 1927	1,000	150	150,000	4	July 1, Jan. 1.
BONDED DEBT ASSUMED BY REASON OF ANNEXATION.					\$1,914,500		
Brightwood Water Works	Feb. 15, 1895	Feb. 15, 1900	1,000	4	4,000	6	Feb. 15, Aug. 15.
Brightwood Water Works	Feb. 15, 1895	Feb. 15, 1905	1,000	4	4,000	6	Feb. 15, Aug. 15.
Brightwood Water Works	Feb. 15, 1895	Feb. 15, 1910	1,000	5	5,000	6	Feb. 15, Aug. 15.
Brightwood Water Works	Feb. 15, 1895	Feb. 15, 1915	1,000	5	5,000	6	Feb. 15, Aug. 15.
Haughville School House	Sept. 4, 1891	Sept. 1, 1898	1,000	1	1,000	6	Sept. 4, Mar. 4.
Haughville School House	Sept. 4, 1891	Sept. 1, 1899	1,000	1	1,000	6	Sept. 4, Mar. 4.
Haughville School House	Sept. 4, 1891	Sept. 1, 1900	1,000	1	1,000	6	Sept. 4, Mar. 4.
Haughville School House	Sept. 4, 1891	Sept. 1, 1901	1,000	1	1,000	6	Sept. 4, Mar. 4.
Haughville Reading Room	Sept. 19, 1894	Sept. 19, 1899	1,500	1	1,500	6	Sept. 19, Mar. 19.
Haughville School House	July 15, 1895	July 15, 1915	300	1	300	5	July 15, Jan. 15.
Haughville School House	July 15, 1895	July 15, 1915	500	1	500	5	July 15, Jan. 15.
Haughville School House	July 15, 1895	July 15, 1915	1,000	12	12,000	5	July 15, Jan. 15.
Mt. Jackson School House	Sept. 24, 1894	\$100 annually	100	7	700	6	Sept. 24, Mar. 24.
West Indianapolis School House	July 15, 1899	\$2,000 annually	1,000	14	14,000	6	July 15, Jan. 15.
West Indianapolis School House	Nov. 3, 1890	July 15, 1905	1,000	2	2,000	6	July 15, Jan. 15.
West Indianapolis School House	July 1, 1891	July 1, 1906, to 1909 ..	1,000	8	8,000	6	July 1, Jan. 1.
West Indianapolis School House	July 15, 1892	July 15, 1907, to 1912 ..	1,000	12	12,000	6	July 15, Jan. 15.
Funding Bonds	Feb. 5, 1894	Feb. 5, 1908	1,000	10	10,000	6	Feb. 5, Aug. 5.
Funding Bonds	Feb. 5, 1894	Feb. 5, 1909	1,000	10	10,000	6	Feb. 5, Aug. 5.
Funding Bonds	Mar. 15, 1895	Mar. 15, 1902, to 1910 ..	1,000	9	9,000	6	Mar. 15, Sept. 15.
Funding Bonds	July 6, 1896	July 6, 1912, to 1917 ..	1,000	6	6,000	6	July 6, Jan. 6.
Funding Bonds	Dec. 21, 1896	Dec. 21, 1916	1,000	8	8,000	6	Dec. 21, June 21.
					\$116,000		

Total city debt, contracted by the city proper \$1,914,500
 Total city debt, contracted by reason of annexation..... 116,000
 Total liabilities..... \$2,030,500

January 17, 1898.]

CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

Communication from City Comptroller:

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
OFFICE OF CITY COMPTROLLER,
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Jan. 17, 1898. }

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis:

Gentlemen—I respectfully recommend that an appropriation be made for Mrs. Ella O'Connor, widow of Eugene O'Connor, deceased, the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125.00).

Said Eugene O'Connor was operating a saloon at No. 300 West Maryland street, under license which would have expired June 8, 1898; said Eugene O'Connor having died on December 9, 1897, the above amount being a rebate on his liquor license from June 8, 1897, to December 9, 1897.

Respectfully submitted,

E. M. JOHNSON,
City Comptroller.

With the following petition:

To the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana:

Gentlemen—Your petitioner respectfully shows to your honorable body that heretofore, to-wit, on the 9th day of December, 1897, the husband of petitioner departed this life. That on the 18th day of June, 1897, he secured a license to sell intoxicating liquors in less quantities than a quart at a time; that he paid therefor the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00); that said license so granted would expire on the 8th day of June, 1898; that your petitioner is entitled to the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars for the period of six months, to-wit, from the 9th day of December until the 9th day of June, 1898, under an act entitled "An act to better regulate and restrict the sale of intoxicating, spirituous, vinous and malt liquors, etc., approved March 11, 1895 (known as the Nicholson Law).

Wherefore your petitioner asks that said sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) be paid to her and that the Comptroller of the City of Indianapolis be instructed to draw his warrant on the City Treasurer for said sum in favor of this petitioner.

Respectfully,

ELLA O'CONNOR

JNO. L. REARDON,
Attorney for Petitioner.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Accounts and Claims.

REPORTS, ETC., FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. Colter, on behalf of the Committee on Contracts and Franchises, to which was referred:

G. O. No. 73, 1897. An ordinance concerning vapor lights, and ratifying, confirming and approving a certain agreement made and entered into on December 13, 1897, between the City of Indianapolis, by and through its Board of Public Works, and the Sun Vapor Street Light Company, and matters connected therewith, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

Made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., January 17, 1898.

Mr. President:

We, your Committee on Contracts and Franchises, have carefully examined G. O. No. 73, 1897, and recommend that the same do pass.

GEO. R. COLTER,
JOHN A. VON SPRECKELSEN,
W. W. KNIGHT,
E. W. LITTLE,
JAS. H. COSTELLO,
ALBERT E. RAUCH,
ROBERT M. MADDEN,
Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

Mr. Clark, on behalf of the Committee on Public Safety and Comfort, to which was referred:

G. O. No. 74, 1897. An ordinance amending Section 33 of an ordinance creating the office of Building Inspector, defining the power and duties attached hereto, authorizing the inspection of buildings and other structures, regulating their construction, repair and removal, requiring the issuance of a license or permit in such cases before any work shall be begun, regulating the building of party walls and partition fences, prescribing in what proportion adjoining owners shall bear the expense of the same, in what manner such expense shall be levied and collected, and defining the terms upon which partition walls already established may be used by adjoining owners, fixing a penalty for the violation thereof, repealing certain ordinances, providing for publication, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect, approved September 10, 1894.

Made the following report:

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., January 12, 1898.

Mr. President:

We, your Committee on Public Safety and Comfort, have had under consideration G. O. No. 74, 1897, and hereby recommend its passage.

FRANK S. CLARK,
ALBERT E. RAUCH,
T. A. BOWSER,
E. D. MOFFETT,
Committee.

Which was read and concurred in.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business, the following ordinance was introduced:

By Mr. Costello:

App. O. No. 1, 1898. An ordinance appropriating the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) with which to pay a certain claim made by virtue of Section 8, of an act entitled "An act to better regulate and restrict the sale of intoxicating and malt liquors." etc., approved March 11, 1895, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars

(\$125.00) be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay the following claim, made under and by virtue of Section 8 of an act of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana, entitled "An act to better regulate and restrict the sale of intoxicating liquors," approved March 11, 1895:

Ella O'Connor, widow of Eugene O'Connor, deceased, the sum of one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125.00).

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Accounts and Claims.

INTRODUCTION OF GENERAL AND SPECIAL ORDINANCES.

Under this order of business the following ordinances were introduced:

By Mr. Higgins:

G. O. No. 3, 1898. An ordinance regulating the location of morgues and undertaking establishments in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That it shall not be lawful for any person to locate, build, construct, maintain or keep or continue to maintain or keep in any block or square of any street in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, in which block or square three-fourths of the buildings on both sides of the street are devoted to exclusive residence purposes, any morgue or undertaking establishment within two hundred feet of any such residence, on either side of such street unless the owners of a majority of the lots in such block or square fronting or abutting on such street consent in writing to the location, construction, maintenance or keeping of such morgue or undertaking establishments therein. Such written consent shall be filed with the City Clerk before a permit shall be issued by the Comptroller for the erection or repair of any building to be used for such purpose and before any person shall be permitted to keep or maintain or continue to keep or maintain any such morgue or undertaking establishment in any such block or square: Provided, however, That this ordinance shall not apply to any morgue or undertaking establishment already established and doing business on any such block or square at the time of the passage of this ordinance.

Sec. 2. Any person, firm or any officer or agent of a body corporate violating any of the provisions of the foregoing section by erecting or repairing any building to be used for a morgue or undertaking establishment, or by maintaining or keeping or continuing to maintain or keep any morgue or undertaking establishment on any street, in any block or square described therein, without first filing in the office of the City Clerk the written consent of the owners of a majority of the lots abutting on such street in said block or square, to the location, construction, maintenance or keeping of such morgue or undertaking establishment, as provided in said section, shall, on conviction therefor, be fined in any sum not less than twenty-five nor more than seventy-five dollars for each offense, and each day that such morgue or undertaking establishment is maintained or kept or continued to be maintained or kept shall be deemed a separate and distinct violation of such provisions.

Sec. 3. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its publication once each week for two consecutive weeks in *The Sun*, a newspaper having general circulation in said city.

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.

By Mr. Little:

G. O. No. 4, 1898. An ordinance providing that city employes shall receive their pay from the city at least once every two weeks and may be advanced fifty per cent. of any money due them from the city upon proper application showing dire necessity for the same.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, That all employes of said city shall receive their pay at least once every two weeks, and said employes may be advanced fifty per cent. of any money due them upon proper application showing dire necessity for the same during their employment with said city.

Sec. 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication for one day each week for two consecutive weeks in *The Indianapolis Sun*, a daily newspaper of general circulation.

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Harston:

G. O. No. 5, 1898. An ordinance providing for the licensing of concerts and theatrical performances to be given and exhibited on Sunday.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana. That any person or company desiring to give any concert or theatrical performance in said city on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, in any theater or other building suitable for the purpose, shall, before giving the same, procure a license therefor from the City Comptroller, as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Whenever any person shall apply to the City Comptroller for a license to give any concert or theatrical performance on Sunday in said city, as provided in Section 1, and shall pay to said Comptroller the sum of five dollars therefor, the said Comptroller shall issue to said person such license authorizing the giving of such performance or concert.

Sec. 3. The said license shall not authorize the giving of any concert or theatrical performance of a lewd, unchaste or immoral character, and any person or persons engaging in any concert or performance of a lewd, unchaste or immoral character shall be fined in any sum not less than five nor more than fifty dollars.

Sec. 4. The Superintendent of Police is hereby required to see that no immoral, lewd or unchaste performance is given by any person or persons acting under any license given by the Comptroller as herein provided, and he or any member of the police force is authorized to stop any such performance when the same is of such immoral, lewd or unchaste character.

Sec. 5. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage and publication for two consecutive weeks in *The Sun*, a daily newspaper published in said city.

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Public Safety and Comfort.

By Mr. Little:

G. O. No. 6, 1898. An ordinance fixing the maximum rate to be charged for the use of electric lights, providing a penalty for the violation thereof and repealing all ordinances in conflict therewith and declaring an emergency.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That it shall be unlawful for any person, persons, corporation organized under the laws of the State of Indiana, or any association or company, to charge, demand or receive from any consumer or consumers a greater sum for electric light or lights than as follows, to-wit: For each incandescent light of sixteen candle power used in residences and offices, fifteen cents per month; for each light used in hotels, restaurants and saloons, not to exceed the sum of forty cents per month; and for each such light used in stores, meat markets and other places, not to exceed the sum of twenty-five cents per month; and for each arc light, not to exceed the sum of seven dollars per month. Any such person, persons, corporation, association or company so furnishing such electric light shall make all connections at any time upon application of such consumer or consumers.

Sec. 2. Any person, persons, corporation, association or company violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, upon conviction, shall be fined in any sum not to exceed one hundred dollars.

Sec. 3. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. As an emergency is hereby declared to exist for the immediate taking effect of this ordinance, it shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication for one day each week for two consecutive weeks in *The Indianapolis Sun*, a daily newspaper of general circulation.

Which was read a first time and referred to Committee on Contracts and Franchises.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following communication was received:

We, the West Indianapolis Woman's Christian Temperance Union, at a regular meeting of the Union, held January 11, 1898, adopt the following resolutions, viz.:

First. That we return a vote of thanks to the members of the Indianapolis City Council who voted for the passage of the Curfew Law.

Second. That we pledge our sympathy and co-operation in the enforcement of the law.

Third. That a copy of these resolutions be entered on the minutes of the meeting and sent to the City Council to be read at its next meeting.

A. M. PARNELL,
Secretary.

HATTIE S. MOORMAN,
President.

Which was read and ordered spread on the minutes.

Mr. John T. Glazier, Secretary Firemen's Pension Fund, submitted the following report:

To the President and Members of the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I submit herewith my annual report showing the receipts and disbursements of the Firemen's Pension Fund for the year ending December 31, 1897; also the number of beneficiaries, amounts paid the same and balance on hand:

RECEIPTS.

To last semi-annual assessment from tax duplicate for the year ending December 31, 1896, paid February 8, 1897.....	\$4,479.71
Annual assessment for 1897.....	10,729.50
Assessments from pay-roll.....	1,417.47
Donations and ball.....	4,683.75
Matured bonds and interest.....	5,278.08
Balance from 1896.....	202.11
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	\$26,790.62

DISBURSEMENTS.

Amounts paid beneficiaries.....	\$8,767.65
Printing and stationery.....	34.50
For bonds purchased.....	11,763.21
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	\$20,565.36
Total Receipts.....	\$26,790.62
Disbursements.....	20,565.36
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-Balance.....	\$6,225.26

Amount of bonds on hand January 1, 1897—

Marion County bonds (jail).....	\$6,000.00
City of Indianapolis bonds.....	1,000.00
Indianapolis street and sewer bonds.....	8,449.12
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	\$15,449.12
Marion County and City of Indianapolis bonds.....	7,000.00
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	\$8,449.12

March 5, 1897—

City of Indianapolis and Marion County jail bonds sold for...	\$7,034.61
And added cash.....	3,055.91
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	\$10,090.52

And purchased with same street improvement bonds of the value of.....	\$10,214.13
November 27, 1897, improvement bonds bought.....	7,837.62
December 10, 1897, improvement bonds bought.....	546.10
December 11, 1897, improvement bonds bought.....	333.72
Improvement bonds on hand January 1, 1897.....	8,449.12
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	\$27,380.69

Principal paid on bonds.....	3,771.16
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December 31, 1897, total amount of bonds on hand.....	\$23,609.53
December 31, 1897, total amount of cash.....	6,225.26
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	\$29,834.79

Total amount of fund..... \$29,834.79

Respectfully submitted,

CAPTAIN JOHN T. GLAZIER,
Secretary Firemen's Pension Fund.

Which was read and referred to Committee on Finance.

Mr. Harston (by request) offered the following resolution:

Resolution No. 1, 1898. Whereas, It is alleged that a number of persons in the plumbing business in this city have formed a combine for the purpose of monopolizing trade and arbitrarily raising prices, and that in order to accomplish such ends they prevent others who are not in accord with such methods and will therefore not join such combine from purchasing material, to their great loss and injury; be it therefore

Resolved, That we, the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, emphatically denounce such nefarious practices as being against the rights of man and the public interest; and, be it further

Resolved, That the City Attorney be instructed to render his opinion to the Common Council as to whether an amendment to any ordinance licensing and regulating plumbers that may hereafter be introduced, or now is in force, may be so amended that the public be protected against such unlawful combinations and practices.

Mr. Harston moved the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Colter moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Which motion prevailed.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING.

On motion of Mr. McGrew, the following entitled ordinance was taken up and read a second time:

G. O. No. 67, 1897. An ordinance establishing the location of a market for hay and cereals in the City of Indianapolis, providing for the weighing of the same by the City Weighmaster, prescribing a penalty for the violation of the said ordinance, and repealing all ordinances in conflict therewith.

Mr. McGrew, on behalf of the Committee on Public Property and Improvements, offered the following amended ordinance as a substitute for G. O. No. 67, 1897:

G. O. No. 67, 1897. An ordinance establishing the location of a market for hay and cereals in the City of Indianapolis, providing for the weighing of the same, prescribing penalties for its violation and repealing all ordinances in conflict therewith.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the Common Council of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, That the city market for the sale of hay, oats and corn is hereby located and established on lots at the corner of Pine and Washington streets, in the City of Indianapolis, and that there shall be located on said market the public scales of said city, which shall be used in weighing all hay, oats and corn and other commodities which may be offered for sale on said market, which market and scales shall be in the care and custody of the City Weighmaster.

Sec. 2. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or to offer or expose for sale on said market any hay, cereals or other farm products or commodities from wagons, sleds or other vehicles without having first caused

the same to be weighed upon the said public scales of said city and received from the City Weighmaster a certificate stating the correct weight of the same.

Sec. 3. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons having hay or cereals to sell from wagons or other vehicles, to allow any such wagon or other vehicle to stand at any place in said city other than said city market while such hay or cereals are exposed for sale.

Sec. 4. It shall be unlawful for any person who as owner, lessee or otherwise has control of any real estate in said city to maintain thereon any market for the sale of hay or cereals by the owners thereof or by anyone acting for such owners, or to permit wagons or other vehicles containing hay or cereals which are offered or exposed for sale to stand on any such real estate.

Sec. 5. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction therefor, be fined in any sum not less than two nor more than twenty-five dollars.

Sec. 6. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. This ordinance shall be in force from and after its passage and publication, once each week for two consecutive weeks in *The Sun*, a newspaper having general circulation in said city.

Mr. Bowser moved that the substitute for G. O. No. 67, 1897, be adopted.

Mr. Clark moved to lay Mr. Bowser's motion on the table.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Knight moved that the substitute for G. O. No. 67, 1897, be referred to the Committee on Contracts and Franchises.

Mr. Colter moved as a substitute for Mr. Knight's motion that the substitute be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The ayes and nays being called for, the roll was called, which resulted in the adoption of Mr. Colter's motion by the following vote:

AYES 11—viz.: Messrs. Bernauer, Clark, Colter, Knight, Little, Maden, Merrick, Rauch, Smith, Von Spreckelsen and President Mahoney.

NAYS 8—viz.: Messrs. Allen, Bowser, Costello, Crall, Harston, Higgins, Moffett and McGrew.

On motion of Mr. Colter, the following entitled ordinance was taken up, read a second time, ordered engrossed, and then read a third time:

G. O. No. 73, 1897. An ordinance concerning vapor lights, and ratifying, confirming and approving a certain agreement made and entered into on December 13, 1897, between the City of Indianapolis, by and through its Board of Public Works, and the Sun Vapor Street Light Company, and matters connected therewith, and fixing a time when the same shall take effect.

And was passed by the following vote:

AYES 19—viz.: Messrs. Allen, Bernauer, Bowser, Clark, Colter, Costello, Crall, Harston, Higgins, Knight, Little, Madden, Merrick, Moffett, McGrew, Rauch, Smith, Von Spreckelsen and President Mahoney.

NAYS—None.

On motion of Mr. Colter, the following entitled ordinance was taken up and read a second time:

G. O. No. 74, 1897. An ordinance amending Section 33 of an ordinance creating the office of Building Inspector, defining the powers and duties attached hereto, authorizing the inspection of buildings and other structures, regulating their construction, repair and removal, requiring the issuance of a license or permit in such cases before any work shall be begun, regulating the building of party walls and partition fences, prescribing in what proportion adjoining owners shall bear the expense of the same, in what manner such expense shall be levied and collected, and defining the terms upon which partition walls already established may be used by adjoining owners, fixing a penalty for the violation thereof, repealing certain ordinances, providing for publication, and fixing the time when the same shall take effect, approved September 10, 1894.

Mr Smith moved that G. O. No. 74, 1897, be referred to a special committee consisting of one practical builder, one architect and one insurance man.

Mr. Clark moved to lay Mr. Smith's motion on the table.

Mr. Colter raised the point order that the Council can not refer an ordinance to an outside party.

The President ruled that the point of order was well taken.

Mr. Smith moved that G. O. No. 74, 1897, be referred to a special committee to be appointed by the President, consisting of three members.

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Bowser, the Common Council, at 9:15 o'clock P. M., adjourned.

ATTEST :

John H. Mahoney

President.

Chas H. Stuckmeyer City Clerk.